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The Honorable Kay Granger Charwoman Committee on Appropriations H-305, the Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Metra O'Hare Pedestrian Pathway Design in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Commuter Rail Division of the RTA d/b/a Metra located at 547 W Jackson Blvd, 60661, Chicago, Illinois. The funding would be used to launch a concept study to generate designs for a new pedestrian pathway linking the Metra's O'Hare Transfer station with the O'Hare Airport Transit. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it advances the creation of an express Metra route from downtown Chicago to O'Hare airport. This route would improve public transportation services for Chicagoans, including disadvantaged communities, as well as mitigate the congestion problems and consequently make the air cleaner and save time for commuters.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by chapter 53 of title 49 of the United States Code.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely, Mike Quigley

Member of Congress